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PAW PAW DIRECTORY.

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I. O. O. F.—Paw Paw Lodge, No. 18. Meets every Friday night. Hall over Glidden's store. Encampment meetings first and fourth Tuesday

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R. M.-Paw Paw Chapter, No. 3t. Meets on the moon, in Masonic Hall, corner Main and Kalamazoo streets.

F. A. M.—Paw Paw Lodge, No. 25. Meets on of the moon, in Masonic Hall, corner Main and

I 0. of G. T.—Paw Paw Lodge, No. 38. Meets . Monday evening of each week at Good Tem-plars' Hall, over Glidden's store.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 310. Meets every Saturday evening at same place.

Church Birectory.

I' Pastor. Services 10 1-2 o'clock A. M. and 61-2 o'clock P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST,—Rev. M. Hayden Pastor, Ser vice 191-20'clock A. M., and 61-20'clock P. M. M FINDIST EPISCOPAL, Rev. H. Henderson Pastor, Services 10 1-2 o'clock A. M., and 6 1-2 o'clock P. M.

PRESBYTERIAN,-Rev. O. H. Barnard Pastor, Services, 10 1-2 A. M., and 6 1-2 P. M. CHRISTIAN,-Rev. O. Ebert Pastor. Services.

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After five months practice in the New York Hos-

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STEPHENSON & BARNUM, Attorneys and Coun-Agents for Hartford and North American Insurance Companies. Office over National Bank, Paw Paw, Mich.

S. Bowd, General Dealer in Family Groceries, Crockery, etc Teas made a specialty, Phelps treet, Decatur, Mich. THOS. H. STEPHENSON.

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CHARLES L. FITCH, Attorney, Counselor and Solicitor. Office opposite the Court House,

Paw Paw, Mich. ANDREWS, M. D., Physician and Surgeon

C. S. MAYNARD, M. D., Eclectic Physician and Surgeon. Office in Peninsular Block, first door west of Court House, up-stairs, Paw Paw. J. A. THOMAS, M. D., Eclectic Physician and Surgeon, Office on Main street, first build-ing east of Gourt House square, up-stairs Paw

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E. MRTIN, Ment Market and General Froduce Dealer. Cash paid for Butter, Eggs, Pork, Beef, etc. Gorner Oak and Kalamazoo streets, north of Dyckman House, Paw Paw, Mich. 820

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HARWICK & LANE'S Livery Stable, Paw Paw, Michigan, is the largest and best equipped of any in the county. Fine horses, new and clegant carriages to let. Office and Stables north-east of Dyckman House, north side of Oak street. 824

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THOMAS L. ROSS, Dealer in Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Ready Made Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Carpetings, etc. The high-est market price paid for wheat.

M. P. ALLEN, dealer in Furniture, Cabinet Ware, Upholstery, etc. Warerooms second door east of the Post Office, Paw Paw, Mich. 821 P. B. EMERY, Livery, Sale and Accommodation Stable. Best turnouts in the County.— Gremps street, Paw Paw, Mich, 821

DECATUR DIRECTORY.

Jodges.

F. & A. M. Decatur Lodge, No. 99. Meets on T . Tuesday evenings on or preceding the Full of the Moon. C. S. COCKETT, SEC'Y. JAS. HAYNES, W. M.

I. O. O. F. - Sprague Lodge, No. 113. Meets every Block, Brethren from abroad cordially invited to attend.

REBECKAB LODGE. Ellen A. Sprague Lodge, No 11, meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

I. at the Good Templars' Hall, on Monday evenings. Degree Lodge on Wednesday evenings.

Church Directorn,

FREE WILL BAPTIST,-Rev. G. P. Blanchard PRESBYTEBIAN.-Rev. W. T. Bartle, pastor. Services 10 1-2 o'clock, A. M., and 6 1-2 P. M. METHODIST.-Rev. H. Worthington, pastor. Services 10 1-2 o'clock, A. M., and 61-2 r. M.

Business Eards.

FOSTER & FIELD, Attorneys and Counselors at law and Solicitors in Chancery. Office in Poor's Block, Decatur, Mich, NEWTON POSTER.

UPTON & TUCKER, Attorneys and Counselors U at Law and Selicitors in Chancery. Will attend to collecting and remit promptly. Office over Chadwick's store, Decatur, Mich. WM. H. TUCKER. JNO. B. UPTON.

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T. R. Olbble, M. D., Physician and Surgeon.

Office with S. H. Blackman, Paw Paw. 829

Office with S. H. Blackma DR. Kino informs the inhabitants of this County that he has closed his office at Kalamazoo, and located at Decatur, where he will be happy to see

ing negatives, from 0 A.M., to 4 F.M. Bables pletures taken Mondays and Tuesdays. Pleture

C. CHURCH, Justice of the Peace, and Conveyancer. Office over E. Charch's Grocery, Decatur, Mich. 820

LAWRENCE DIRECTORY.

Shurch Directory.

CONGREGATIONAL.—Rev. E. Cleveland, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 104-2 o'clock

J. ANDREWS, M. D., Physician and Surgeon.
Office over Kilburn & Hudson's store, Paw Mich.

METHODIST,—Rev. H. Mason, Pastor. Ser-Paw, Mich. and 7 o'clock, P. M.

Business Gards.

E. & J. L. CHADWICK, dealers in Dry Goods, Clothing, Millinery Goods, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Hats and Caps, Queensware, etc., Lawrence, Mich.

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WILLIAM H. CLAY, Sign and Ornamental Painter, Lawrence, Mich. Honse, Sign, and Carriage Painting, Graining, Papering and Kalsoming done to order.

LAWTON DIRECTORY.

Church Directorn.

M ETHODIST, -Rev. H. Hall, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 1012 o'clock, A. N., and at 7 o'clock, P. M. BAPTIST,-Rev. H. West, Pastor. Services at 101-2 o'clock, A. M., and 7 o'clock, P. H. PRESENTERIAN,—Rev. J. Kelland, Pastor. Services at the Chapel on Main street, (formerly Powell's Hail) every Sabbath at 1012 o'clock, M., and 7 o'clock, P. M.

Ladars.

C. R. MUNGER W. M. A. JENNINGS, SEC'Y. 1 0.0. F.—Lawton Lodge, No. 83, hold their regular meetings at Odd Fellows' Hall, in Powell's Building, on Saturday evenings b. w. Powell, sec'y. N. Finch, N. G.

Business Gards.

C. A. HARRISON, Real Estate, Loan and In-surance Agent. Money to loan on Improved Will hold Probate Court at Pay Paw, on Monday

SOUTH HAVEN DIRECT'Y.

Todges.

R. A. M.—South Haven Chapter, No. 58. Meets Full of the Moon. MILTON H. BICE, SEC'Y. F. M. M.—Star of the Lake Lodge, No. 158.

Meets Tuesday evenings on or preceding the Full of the Moon.

B. P. HUGHES, SEC'Y.

I . 0. of G. T .- South Haven Lodge. No. 383.-

Shurch Directory.

Baptist,-Rev. Dr. Hewson, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 10 1-2 a. m., and 6 1-2 p. m. METHODIST.-Rev. A. R. Boggs, Pastor. Services at 10 1-2 a. m., and 6 1-2 p. m. CONGREGATIONAL, -- Rev. J. Anderson, Pas-tor. Services 10 1-2 a, m., and 6 1-2 p. m. EPISCOPAL,-Rev. - Dooley, Rector. Services every Sunday morning and evening at

MISCELLANEOUS.

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CRANE & NASH, Battle Creek, Mich, (late of Paw Paw, Mich.) Dealers in Lumber, Shingles and Lath. Orders for Lumber of any size and description solicited.
Will keep constantly on hand a full assortment
of choice Pine, Whitewood, and other lumber.
Battle Creek, July 25th, 1870.

PAW PAW RAIL ROAD.

Trains from Paw Paw connect with the same named Trains on the Michigan Central Railroad

at Lawton, going east and west.
LEAVE PAW PAW. 5:30 a. m. Kalamazoo Accommodation, west. 10:20 a. m., Mail Train, east. 2:15 p. m., Mail west, and Way Freight east. 8:50 p. m. Kalamazoo Accomodation, east. A Special Train leaves Paw Paw at 9:15 p. m.,

on Sundays, to connect with Atlantic Express Trains return to Paw Paw on departure of Michgan Central Trains from Lawton.

C. D. STEPHENSON, Sup't.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL.

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On and after Sunda		
Trains will leave I	awton as follo	OW# /
	EAST.	WEST.
Mail.	10:57 a. m.	2:50 p. m.
Kalamazoo Acc.	9:27 p. m.	5:58 8. 111.
Evening Express	170	12:55 a. m.
The Atlantic Expr	ess east on S	unday, will sto
at Lawton, at 9:52 p.	m.	
11	E. SARGEN	T. Gen. Supt.
C. H. HIRD, Ass't	Gen. Supt.	

SOUTH HAVES DIVISION

Leaves Kalamazoo	4.00 p.m	8 15 n m
Alamo,	4.20	9.00
** Kendall's	5.50	0.00
" Pine Grove.	5 00	9.45
o Goble's	2.62	9.55
· Bloomingdale.	5 95	10.15
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Leaves Geneva	2.20	8-25
" Bloomingdale	53)	5.55
" Goble's	4.10	9.65
" Kenda l's	4.50	21.80
Alamo.	5.00	9.50
Arrive Kalamazoo	5.55	10.25

GRAND SIVER VALLEY DIVISION.

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	4 00 a m 5 10 p m 1 00 Trains Eastward, Leave G. Rapads, 12 45 p m 6 45

Asst. Sup't. PENINSULAR RAILWAY. WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after Monday, December 5th, 1870,

Trains will bu	H WE BOTTOM	* * 10.4	
	TRAINS	EAST.	
Stations, 1	Morn. Ex.	Aft'n Ex.	Freigh
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Climax,		1,40	11,39
Battle Creek	k, 5,00	2,05	12,00
Bellevue,	5,37	2,42	3,50
Olivet,	5,51	2,56	4,2
Charlotte,	6,15	3,20	4.5
Potterville,	6,35	3,40	5,4
Lansing,	7,10	4,15	6,3
	TRAINS	WEST	- 7
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M
Lansing,	10,50	7,40	7.1
Potterville,	11,24	8,14	7.5
Charlotte,	11.45	8,25	8.2
Olivet.	12,08 p m		9.1
Bellevue,	12.23	9.13	9.3
Transla Charles	100 200	41.75.11	24.6

Battle Creek, 12,55 10.15 11,20 1.30 Climax. All trains on the Peninsular Railway make clese and immediate connections at Battle date the twelfth day of June, A D. 1871, au-Michigan Central, and at Charlotte with all described real estate, I shall sell at public aucley Division, and at Lansing with all trains North and South on the Jackson, Lansing and Hartford, in said Van Buren county, Michigan, Saginaw, and Ionia and Lansing Railroads.

Trains are run on Chicago Time. L. D. DIBBLE, Pres. & Gen. Sup't. Battle Greek, Dec. 5th, 1870. 823

PROBATE ORDER. State of Michigan, County of Van Buren, ss .-At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Van Buren holden at the Probate Office in the Village of Paw Paw, on Monday, the 26th day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one. Present-George W. Lawton, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of EDWARD HUTCHINS, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly veri-

fied, of Betsey Hutchins praying for reasons therein set forth that administration of the estate of said deceased might be granted to Wil-EPISCOPAL,—Rev. D. derker, Pastor. Services are held regularly in the Presbyterlan Chapel, on the first and second Sabbath of each month, at 3 o'clock, r. M. forenoon be assigned for the hearing of said 1 etition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said Court then to be holden at the Probate Office in the F. A. M.—Lawton Lodge, No. 216, he d their then to be holden at the Probate Office in the Village of Paw Paw, and show cause if any there be why the prayer of the petitioner should there be why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted: And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a

> hearing. GEO. W. LAWTON, Judge of Probate.

MORTGAGE SALE.

WHEREAS, Ezra Knapp, and Mary o. Knapp, his wife, of the county of Van Buren, and state of Michigan, did execute and deliver in due form of law, a certain indenture o mortgage, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to George L. Hyslop, of the city of New York, which said mortgage was duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, on the twenty-srxth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixtyeight, at the hour of three o'clock in the after noon, in Liber "X" of mortgages, on page two

hundred and seventy-two: And, whereas, the said George L. Hyslop, by his attorney in fact, J. Davidson Burns, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, did, on the eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, assign all his right, title and interest was duly recorded in the office of the Regisoer of Deeds for the said county of Van Buren, and state of Michigan, on the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, in Liber " Z" of mortgages, on page four hundred and

seventy-six. And, whereas, the said J Davidson Burns, in the execution of the assignment of the said mortgage acted under and by virtue of an instrument execused under the hand and seal of the said George L. Hyslop, and bearing date birth. the eighth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and which instrument was duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Van Buren, on the sixteenth day of January, one thousand eight

And, whereas, by the terms and stipulations in said mortgage contained, the whole sum of about twelve scholars, money secured to be paid thereby, has become du and payable, and, whereas, default has been made in the payment of the said sum of money, so secured to be paid, and on shich said indenture of mortgage, and the bond accompanying the same, there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice, the sum of two thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars and fifty cents (\$2830.50) besides an attorney or solicitors tee of filty dollars stipulated therein to be paid, in case any proceedings should be had to foreclose said mortgage, and no suit at law or proceedings in chancery having been had or instituted for the recovery of the moneys so due as aforesaid, or

any part thereof; Notice is therefore hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mertgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made & provided, the lands and premises in said mortgage described as follows, to-wit: the south-east quarter of section four (4) in town four (4) south of range thirteen (13) west, excepting forty acres in the north east corner and one hundred and nineteen acres, more or less, being the premises parchased of Elisha Tracy, in order to realize the sum due as aforesaid, House in the village of Paw Paw, that being for the county of Van Buren, and state of Mish igan, on Monday, the seventeenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of that day. Dated April 20, 1871.

DUBLEY THORNTON, Assigner. CHANCERY SALE. BY VIRTUE of a decree made in the Circult Court for the County of Van Buren, in chanvery, in a vertain cause therein pending, wherein Merrill Barnes is complainant, and Bethuel Lobdell defendant, in the original bill, and wherein Berhuel Lobdell 18 complament and Merrill Barnes is defendant in the eros I, bearing date the fifteenth day of April, A. D., 1871. I shall sell at public auction, to the highest hidder, on Monday, the third day of July, A. D., 1871, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the front door of the Court House following described real estate, situated in the county of Van Euren and state of Michigan, viz : the south half of the south-west quarter of section number thirty-two (32) in township two (2) south of range fifteen (15) west, containing eighty acres more or less.

Dated, May 18, 1871. JOHN KNOWLES, Circuit Court Com'r.

CHANCERY SALE. By virtue of a decree made in the Circuit Court for the County of Van Buren, in Chancery, in a certain cause therein pending wherein William G. Rowley is Complainant and Lawtence Brewer and Emeline Brewer ara Defendants, bearing date the Ninth day of April, A. D. 1871 I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder on Monday, the Seventeenth day of July, A. D. 1871, at one o'clock in the pm afternoon, at the front door of the Court Honse, in the Village of Paw Paw, in said County, the following described real estate situated in the County of Van Buren, and State of Michigan, to-wit: The South half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-nine, in township number two (2) south of range number thirteen (13) west. Dated June 1st, 1871. 844t7 JOHN KNOWLES, Circuit Court Commissioner.

THOS. H. STEPHENSON, Comple's Solicitor. GUARDIAN SALE. Notice is hereby given that by virtue and in premises herein described, in the township of on Monday, the 31st day of July, 1871 at the hour of ten o'clock in the foreneon of said day, all the right, title and interest of Elva Beeny, Arthur Beeny and Roderick Beeny, minors, of the township of Hartford, in and to the following described real estate to wit : That portion of the west half of the south east fraction of section sixteen, except that portion lying north of the Paw Paw and St Joseph road, situated in the township of Hartford, Van Buren County, Michigan, as is occupied by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company, and also ten acres in a square form in the north

MARTHA BRIDGES, Guardian of said Minors. CHANCERY SALE

Dated June 12, 1871.

By virtue of a decree made in the Gircuit Court for the County of Van Buren, in Chancery, in a cause therein pending wherein Mary A. Van Dusen, John K. Baker, and Thomas H. Stephenson are complainants and William H. Whipple and Henry Van Dusen are Defendants bearing date the twenty-second day of April, A. D. 1871, I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of July, A. D. 1871, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the trout door of the Court floure copy of this Order to be published in the True County of Van Buren and State of Michigan, Northern r a newspaper printed and circulating to-wit: Village lots number six and seven in in sail County of Van Buren for three suggess- block number twenty-nine (29) in the Village ive weeks, at least, previous to said day of of Paw Paw, according to the recorded plat stand alone. ofsaid Village. Dated June 6, 1871. 84517 JOHN KNOWLES, Circuit Court Com'r.

Correspondence of the True Northerner. LOCAL HISTORY.

Being Recollections and Reminiscences

of the Early Settlers. ard's daughter. Nancy, was the first The neighbors were in search of him

The first school in the town was taught | made his appearance. in two years from the first settlement, by Ascenath Babbitt, in a little log hundred and sixty-three, at nine o'clock in the shanty on the hill just above Mr. Brown's mill; this school numbered

When Elder Hinckley came into the town to remain, he was somewhat advanced in years and had means for his family's comfort. As an inducement for his relatives to follow him, he guaranteed to each child of his own one hundred and sixty acres of land; to each grand son eighty acres, and each trees from Paw Paw, and then there grand daughter forty acres. Of course he was not a woman's rights man, for Mr. Stimson had moved in near Judge that was an unheard of thing in those Monroe's, and that was the stopping unpretending days, and the wonder is place of the two families for the night. that he gave the girls any land; but he Mrs. Knowles had three little children was as good as his word, and in this way and was obliged to stay in the wagon to gave to his relatives fifteen or sixteen take care of them, but the rough roads one acre in the south-east corner, containing lots, and one forty acre lot to Samuel made the passage so uncomfortable and Watson, situated opposite Smith Brown's dangerous that Mrs. Bridges preferred will be sold at public auction or veudue to the present residence. One of his gifts was to walk. One of the horses got down to his son, now living in Paw Paw, Asa by stepping between the brush which the place of holding the Circuit Court in and Hinckley; it was the now nice farm one was thrown into the road to fill up the mile west of the village of Paw Paw, mud holes, and came near going in out which has on it an elegant brick house of sight. Both families, the Bridges owned and occupied by Dr J. W. Em. and Knowles, staid about ten days in ery. Mr. Hinckley then thought that Mr. Breed's house while Mr. Knowles a very poor farm, as it was in the was building a log shanty for a home .-inferior quality of soil, at that time - numbered about ten, and the two addi-That street now for many miles is a per. | tional families made seven more who all feet garden, fruit and grain field. Such found lodging in the little log house .-

is the power of cultivation. the week and then preached the gospel rain, and there were no boards to be in the village of Paw Paw, in said county, the as understood by the Free Will Baptist procured short of Ousterouk's mill at

from the settlement, nearer than Paw was progressing, went from Mr. Breed's Paw for two or three years after the over the river across the broken away first settlers came in, nor was there any dam, to see the new work. That house town organizations in this part of the was on the ground where the store county until 1837, the five townships of owned by Wm. Knowles is located, dis-Columbia, Geneva, Deerfield, Bangor tant about thirty rods. The wolves and South Haven. After the towns howled day and night, and their discordwere organized there was an effort made ant yells were a terror to strangers, to secure a mail contract, which resulted | though their growling threats were much in the appointment of Amos Smith more frightful than any actual depreda-Brown Sr., as Post Master, and his son | tions. The frightened women ran every Amos Smith Brown Jr., was duly sworu step, not daring to look behind them for in as Deputy P. M. As this important they had never seen or heard a wolf bepursuance of an order made by the Probate distinction was conferred on the Brown fore, and honestly believed that they Court for the County of Van Buren, bearing family, by mutual consent the naming were on the watch constantly for a vic-Creek, with all trains East and West on the thorizing and licensing me to sell the following of the village, consisting of a few log tim. Imaginary danger is quite as hartrains East and West on the Grand River Val- tion or vendue to the highest bidder, on the houses, was given to Mr. Breed, which rassing as real, and these unsophistivery naturally resulted in the name of cated women in the ways of pioneer life, Breedsville. Mr. Brown procured a really suffered much fear, though need. cheap horse and sent a boy on horse less. back, to earry and bring the mail to and The provisions raised in the new setfrom Paw Paw once a week. For sev- tlement were not sufficient for the wants eral years the income of the Office was of the inhabitants and travelers, for not over sixty dollars per year, though several years, so the new inhabitants almost every letter came from New had to buy at a distance, as soon as the York State and the postage was two store brought with them was exhausted. east corner of the same and lying and being in shillings each. At that time Mr. The pine timber that grew in the town the County of Van Buren and State of Michigan Brown's son, Jesse, was but twelve years of Columbia, was a source of profit to of age and he went more with the mail the new comers, for every man was a than any other one person, and, some- shingle maker, and the lights gleamed times in cold weather, he would nearly from their shanties late at night and perish. There was but one house on early in the morning Mr. Knowles the road a distance of eighteen miles, commenced his pioneer life making and and that was Judge Monroe's. Once selling shingles, which he had to hau's after Mr. Barnes came to Barnes' cor- to Big Prairie Ronde with oxen. Mr. ners in Arlington, he stopped there, and Bridges worked steadily at home, for in the Village of Paw Paw, in the County of Van Buren and State of Michigan, the following could not get off his horse. Mrs. Barnes Knowles was away selling the shingles was so near insensible with cold that he they were all one family, while Mr. lifted him off, and helped him into the for provisions for the large family, for house, so benumbed that he could not there were men e ployed at the same

As Mr. Brown's business for the gov. his journies extended as far as Three A true copy. G. W. Lawton, Judge of Probate L. E. Banky , Complainant Solicitor. | ernment had to be done by men aworn | (Communed on Page Fourth).

to perform the duty faithfully, he had to administer the oath-for he was also the elected Justice of the Peace of the town-to any one, who would go and do The second summer in the settlement errands for the neighborhood with his Mr. Watson went on foot to Paw Paw horse, and take mail day for their busito get some necessary articles of use .- ness tour. Such are a few of the dis-After being absent five days the family advantages under which the pioneers became alarmed, and sent a messenger labored. There is not one of the town's in search, who ascertained that he left early reminiscences but what could fur-Paw Paw two days before. The settle- nish truthful tales of suffering, deprivament was thrown into consternation, tion and want. Mr. Brown once got and all were certain in their minds that lost in the woods looking after the cows. the wolves had devoured their unfor- A long rain set in, and the night was of the village of Lawton, in the county of Van Buren. Michigan, and which said assignment atoly made and the holy was found intensely dark. The situation was not ately made and the body was found dead, very pleasant, but he could do no better only one mile and a half from home. - than to stay all night without bed or He laid on his face on the ground, with shelter. In the morning when the sun his arms over the bundle of goods. This rose and the clouds cleared away, he sad, and untimely departure, was the was able to find himself, though he first death in the town, and Mrs. How- turned up in the town of Arlington .-

firing guns and blowing horns, when he

The five families we have mentioned

were all there were in the settlement until 1837 two years after the first arrival. In Oct. of that year, Mr. Bridges and Mr. Knowles and their families, came in from Livingston county, N. Y. The few families who had lived there only two years' had not made much difference in the appearance of the great wilderness, as a matter of course and the road was then all the way by maked were only two families on the road A "openings" and that was considered an Mr. Breed's family, including hired men, The mill dam attached to Mr. Breed's Elder Hinckley worked six days in mill had been washed away by a heavy church, on Sundays. His meetings the line of Allegan county. From there were in the three private houses, first Mr. Knowles hauled boards to make the built of logs in the village of Breeds- floor and roof of his shanty. While he was building this future home for the The inhabitants in the present town two families, the women naturally anxof Columbia did not have a mail to or lous to see how the work on the house

time working on the Tannery. Often